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For: MAGNETORESISTIVE-EFFECT ELEMENT HAVING A PROMINENT MAGNETORESISTIVE EFFECT, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME (As Amended)	) ) ) ) ) )

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## AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

Dear Sir:

This Amendment accompanies an RCE and is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated November 29, 2005 and Advisory Action dated March 27, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

Applicant requests a three-month extension of the time to respond to the final Office Action of November 29, 2005, so that the response date is extended to May 29, 2006. Credit Card payment authorization for the request fee is made via the electronic submission process. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or to charge any deficiency in connection with this filing to Deposit Account No. 19-3140.